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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant:** Leo A. Whiteside

**Group Art Unit:** 3738

**Serial No.:** 09/595,352

**Examiner:** Bruce Edward Snow

**Filed:** June 15, 2000

**Docket No.:** WBC 7403US

**For:** ACETABULAR COMPONENT WITH IMPROVED LINEAR SEAL AND LOCK

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

St. Louis, Missouri  
September 20, 2002

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time for response to the outstanding Official Action mailed May 21, 2002. The period for response was previously set to elapse August 21, 2002, and is accordingly hereby extended to September 21, 2002, which is still within the six-month statutory period for response (35 U.S.C. §133) which elapses November 21, 2002. The reason for this petition is as follows:

- ☒ A response to the outstanding Official Action is being filed herewith.
- ☐ It is expected that a response to the outstanding Official Action will be filed within the extending period for response;
- ☐ A Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 C.F.R. §1.191) is being filed herewith;
- ☐ It is expected that a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 C.F.R. §1.191) will be filed within the extended period for response;
- ☐ A Division, Continuation, or Continuation-In-Part is being filed, and it is desired to maintain the present application in pending condition pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 through at least the filing date of the Division, Continuation, or Continuation-In-Part application.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on September 20, 2002

Jonathan P. Soifer, Reg. No. 34,932

9/20/02  
Date of Signature

\* Ex of Time fee is  
on the Amendment

3. Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. §1.9(f)) in this application:

☒ Has been established by a Verified Statement or Declaration filed.

4. The required fee as established by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a), (b), (c) or (d) pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §41(a)(8) is:

	Small Entity	Other than Small Entity
First Month	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$55.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$110.00
Second Month	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400.00
Third Month	<input type="checkbox"/> \$460.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$920.00
Fourth Month	<input type="checkbox"/> \$720.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,440.00
Fifth Month	<input type="checkbox"/> \$980.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,960.00

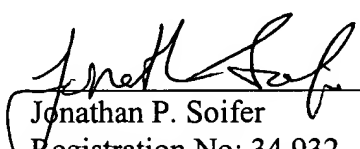
5. The above fee is:

☒ Enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17, which may be required to Deposit Account No. 162201. *Duplicates of this sheet are enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 20, 2002

  
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